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PARTY PROGRAM IN NORTHWEST CHINA TO STRENGTHEN SINO-SOVIET FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION AND OTHER GROUPS

Summary: The First Party Members' Congress of the organizations directly subordinate to the Northwest Bureau, CCP, which met from 16 - 19 July 1952, called for strengthening the leadership of the Sino-Soviet Friendship Association and other mass organizations as one of the party's major task.

A report on the proceedings of the congress, published in the Sian Ch'un-chung Jih-pao on 21 July 1952, disclosed that the party was criticized for neglecting constant and systematic work on political ideology, intraparty democracy, and criticism and self-

To correct the weaknesses of the party, such as bureaucracy, liberalism, and ideological devistions, and for the improvement and advancement of party work in the subordinate organizations, the congress formulated the following program: strengthen the political ideological work of the party in the organizations; develop intraparty democracy; and enroll new party members. The Congress decided that the following activities should be carried on: activate propaganda work; strengthen the leadership of the Sino-Soviet Friendship Association, New Democracy Youth Corps, and trade unions; assist the organizations in security matters; and look after the welfare of personnel in subordinate organizations.

Excerpts of the report follow:7

The First Party Member's Congress of subordinate organizations of the Northwest Bureau CCP, met 16 - 19 July to sum up the experiences of the Three Antis Movement and the party remolding campaign and to formulate the party's work program and concrete tasks in these organizations. The congress also elected members to the party committee of the subordinate organizations.

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The congress voiced its support of the address made by Ma Wen-jui, director of the Northwest Eureau's organization department, and endorsed the report of Chang Yao-yu, secretary of the party committee of the subordinate organizations, as well as the documents printed and circulated by the session.

The congress unanimously recognized that party work in the subordinate organizations had produced results. For instance, the party organized political education for party and nonparty cadres, it assisted the higher administration to investigate the organizations, and helped with protection of organization secrets and security. It also performed various functions which helped to ensure the successful completion of the tasks assigned to the administration of the organizations. During the Three Antis Movement and the party remolding campaign, the party in the subordinate organizations was of great assistance in administering and leading these two movements, and thus made their success possible.

The effects of the Three Antis Movement and the party remolding campaign were chiefly manifested in the smashing of the violent attack of the bourgeofsie, in the exposure of the shamefully corrupt and degenerate behaviour of some party and nonparty cadres, and in the disclosure and criticism of bureaucracy, self-interest, and other bourgeoise ideology among the cadres. These movements also brought about purification of party ranks, improvement in the quality of party members, and activation of class education of all the cadres in the subordinate organizations. Consequently, favorable conditions were created whereby party work in the organizations could be strengthened and advanced.

On the basis of party work in the subordinate organizations, the congress formulated the general program and concrete tasks for the party, as follows:

1. Strengthen the political ideological work of the party in the organizations.

The congress believed that this is the soul of the party's work in the organizations and the foundation and prerequisite for good work. To succeed in this task, the party must first organize study classes in the organs for party and nonparty cadres. These classes should study politics, theory, current affairs, policies, and cultural subjects. The party must know how to carry on dignified ideological criticism within the party and in public meeting places and thus help educate party and nonparty cadres and the masses. By doing this, various ideological deviations among party and nonparty cadres can be criticized and corrected.

2. Develop democracy and the democratic system.

The congress recognized that there was insufficient democratic ways within the party and the organizations. Farty organizations should set a date to convene party branch conferences, party branch general headquarters conferences, and democratic conferences within the subordinate organizations. At the same time, they should launch criticism and self-criticism movements to allow party and nonparty cadres an opportunity to express their views and to discuss various problems and thereby increase their initiative and sense of responsibility.

Develop and enrol1 new party members in accordance with the directives of the Central Committee and the Northwest Bureau CCP

Since the conclusion of the Three Antis Movement and the party remolding campaign, the political ideology of the nonparty members of the organizations has been enhanced. Consequently, many members have applied for party membership. Therefore, the party in subordinate organizations must fully appraise this situation and actively expand the enrollment of new members.

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The congress agreed that the following activities should be carried on in addition to fulfilling the above-mentioned tasks.

- 1. Carry out educational propaganda work in the organizations and among the populace living near the organizations, and operate essential social serv-
- 2. Assist the administration in the protection of secrets and property of the organization and carry on educational work regarding the protection of party and state secrets.
- 3. Strengthen the leadership of the New Democracy Youth Corps, trade unions, and the Sino-Soviet Friendship Association, and develop the youth corps and other mass organizations as instruments to educate the masses and to assist the fulfillment of administrative tasks.
- 4. Look after the living conditions and welfare of the personnel in the organizations and assist the administration in managing the organizations' cooperative societies, medical and health work, and food problems. Direct the organizations' cultural and leisure time activities, sports, and publication

To ensure the fulfillment of the tasks of the party in the subordinate organizations, the congress agreed that relatively large organizations should have cadres designated for party work.

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